

Good Grief!
Not again!

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STANDBYS, WE NEED YOU!

Game 1972CJ: Will Mr. Gray please submit orders for England? Will Mr. Mahler please submit orders for Germany? Will Mr. Nelson please submit orders for Turkey? Mr. Schill can back them all up!

Scotice Scripti III: First, let me print the standby list for this game: 1. Richard Swies, 2. Douglas Dick, 3. David Fujihara, 4. Harry Drews. Will Mr. Swies please submit orders for England? Mr. Dick can back up.

RECENT TRADES AND OPENINGS

The following zines have been mailed to my house. One of these days I'll get the post office to stop sending me all this junk and obscene mail! Until then, here are some worthwhile information!

Costaguana. Conrad Von Metzke, P.O. Box 8342, San Diego, CA 92102. Has openings at gamefee rate of \$6.50. Also, one section of Black Hole Diplomacy remains open in his Renume at a fee of a sub at ten for a "clam." Yggdrasill Chronicle. Paul J. Wood, 24613 Harmon Ct., St. Clair Shores, MI 48080. Has openings in Kriegspiel Diplomacy. Game fee is \$2.00 plus a sub to YC for the duration of the game. Subs are 14/\$2.00.

Thunderbird. Mark Weidmark, 528 Park Crescent, Pickering, Ontario, CANADA L1W 2C9. Has openings in a variant, Guelph Variant. Game fee is \$1.00, plus \$2.00 deposit plus

continuous sub to the zine at 10/\$150.

Ask Mark for rules to the variant!

That's all I can see at this moment. Hope I haven't overlooked many openings--but they do seem to get less frequent in numbers and frequency! I suppose it's the arrival of Summer.

DIPPY NEWS FROM AROUND THE WORLD

Yes fans, this is your dippy reporter with some more tantalizing dippy news. Now, most noticeable of the news is the mud-slinging affair now going on between Mr. Von Metzke and Mr. Reinsel. One cannot overlook what is being written in their magazines. We only wish to comment that we hope someday the hobby will have outgrown feuds.

The IDA is still alive and kicking! The membership is up to close to 140! The Treasurer/V.P., Walt Buchanan and I have bet on whether we'll reach 200 this year. I, being the Editor of the IDA's DR, have put my bet against the 200 figure. You may think that I'm against the IDA, but don't forget that it is I who would have to put out 200 copies of the DR!

The DipCon is coming up very soon (June 22, 23, & 24) and we urge all to attend this fantastic convention! This issue, since it isn't going to be a giant issue, is being kept to 10 pages (good grief!) just so we can attach the informational sheet on the DipCon. Read it, save up for it, arrange trips, and BE THERE!

On the Home front, my newest publications, Aquarius and Lost Horizons, have both become going concerns. Aquarius is already way out successful with tremendous amounts of press! It was 12 pages and filled with press, sports, national news, financial page, and political news from the Council of Nations. Aquarius is a new concept in total Diplomacy. Built around one regular Diplomacy game, the zine adds other theaters of conflicts in sports competition (European Soccer League and maybe even the Olympics), an economic game called the Bourse (players buy and sell national currencies), and a political game, the Council of Nations. In the latter, players attempt to amass prestige points by having

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their proposals passed while defeating other players' proposals. In addition, this game has the unique feature in that the rules of the game can be changed by a majority vote!

Weird? Huh? Well, positions are still available in everything but the dippy game at the gamefee rate of subbing to the zine: 12 issues for a paltry \$2.00! Just for subbing, you can play any of the non-dippy games! Make deals with other players (both major and minor country players) throughout all the games, write press, contribute artwork, crossword puzzles, jokes, ads, etc! The whole zine is different, new and exciting!

Lost Horizons is more mundane, it being primarily a dippy variant gamezine. However, it may be kept small if interest is not aroused for variant games. We still have openings for Clue which is not a dippy variant, but the gamefee is cheap at \$2 for 2 games of Clue! That's right, folks! Two for the price of less than one dippy game!

Now, we get on with the bad news. Why, you may ask, is this issue smaller than the usual, rather than larger as promised twice? Is Impassable folding, is the Editor/Publisher cracking up under the strain? Is he mad? My dear friends, the answer to all of the above is a big fat NO! The real answer is the fact that my routine life was rudely disrupted by a series of disruptions not common to my life. A major one being the fact that my car broke down enroute to work. This necessitated a lot of worrying, thinking, and decisioning making. In the end, I got another new car, but it took up my time. Also, it seems that all of our friends, and relatives from Philadelphia decided to visit us during this past week! Naturally, just being socially available until the wee hours wrecked my routine. So, these plus others have completely set me back in my plans for a bigger issue. Now, the DipCon promises to set me back even more! All Hell seemed to have broken in Carlisle! To make matters worse, May was my (supposed to be) busiest publishing month yet.

Everything is still up in the air, folks, and I don't know when the dust will settle, if again. It may be until July when I can get back to normal and enjoy this hobby. Sigh! So, what's up Doc? Simply this, at this time, June will have to be declared my National Disaster Month and will reduce my publications to a minimum during that month, if necessary. I will attempt to fulfill my promise of a big issue of Impassable next time around, but I don't want to make it another promise to break. To me, coming out on time is much more important than having

big and fancy issues. In fact, I had a lot to put in, but it all will simply have to wait again.

In conclusion, I apologize for everything and can only hope that the readers will be able to bear with these temporary inconveniences.

Oh, before I forget....one player complained that he did not receive his issue of #20. My point is that I'm not perfect, but at least I have a perfect record, so far, of getting Impassable out regularly. This means, then, that if you don't get Impassable within a reasonable time limit, let me know right away! I have yet to be delayed to any extent and you should capitalize on this fact for your benefit.

Last issue I mentioned about Impassable's future. Well, let me say that its future is undecided to the point that it will continue as is until the games are reduced. Then and only then will I know what to do with Impassable. Thanks for all the kind letters asking about why I would want to stop Impassable, etc. when they liked it so much. Your support was most gratifying. Thank you.

THEM CHESS GAMES...

I thought it would be a nice change of pace and a nice trick to put the games here. I wonder if the players will find their games? Oh well....on to the games!

Game #1: Wh-Fish Harbor, Bl-Fobby Bisher

1.	P-Q4	P-Q4
2.	P-K3	P-QB4
3.	KN-KB3	P-B5
4.	

Game #2: Wh-Fobby Bisher, Bl-Sorris Bpasky

1.	P-K4	P-K4
2.	N-KB3	N-KB3
3.	NXP	P-Q3
4.	NXP	KXN
5.	B-B4(ch)	P-Q4*
6.	

Game #3: Wh-Sultan Blank, Bl-Joe Pro

1.	P-K4	P-QB4
2.	B-QB4	P-K3
3.	Q-KB3

Game #4: Wh-Schmoe, Bl-Joe Pro

1.	P-K4	N-KB3
2.	P-K5	N-Q4
3.	P-QB4

*Move was made conditionally upon opponent's possible move(s).

Most interesting of the games is #2 in which both players seem to know what they're doing, although I don't like Black's position.

SCOTICE SCRIPTI III (1973Dd1), Fall 1016

LEINSTER INVADES KYMRU! GREEDY SCOTLAND PULLS A STAB TO TOP ALL STABS! CONNACHT CONTINUES TO FIGHT AND RESIST HEROICALLY!

CONNACHT (Schleinkofer): F Galway Bay-Leitrim, A Roscommon S F Galway Bay-Leitrim /r/, A Tuam S A Roscommon

ENGLAND (Stone): NOR. A Derby H, A Hereford H

KYMRU (Reinsel): A Shropshire-Stadford, A Gwent-Berkeley, A Buellt-Cardigan, A Powys-Cardigan, F Mona-Gwynedd

LEINSTER (Hilliker): A Anghaile S Ulster A Tyrone-Roscommon, A Meath S Ulster A Tyrone-Roscommon, A Dublin-Dyfed, F North St. George Channel C A Dublin-Dyfed, F South Irish Sea C A Dublin-Dyfed

MUNSTER (Cooper): A Leitrim S Ulster A Tyrone-Roscommon, A Thomond S A Leitrim, A Cashel S A Leitrim, F Tralee-Galway Bay, A Limerick H

ORKNEY (Keller): F West Islay Firth-Donegal, F Islay Firth S F West Islay Firth-Donegal, F Man S Scot F North Irish Sea H/nso/, A Skye H, F North Minch-Minch

SCOTLAND (Tonnesen): F North Irish Sea-Kintyre, F Chester-Chester Bay, F Lismore (NC)-Lorne Bay, A Sutherland-Durness, A Berwick-Cumberland, A York-Derby

ULSTER (Nielsen): F Drogeda Bay H, F Down H, A Tyrone-Roscommon, A Donegal H/r/

AUTUMN & WINTER 1016 orders due Thursday, June 7, 1973 at noon, EDST.

Fall 1016 Supply Center Chart--((Note that "home" is defined as all centers within the original national boundaries--heavy lines))

Connacht: Sligo, Roscommon, Tuam (2) R1

England: Berkeley, Stadford, Derby (1) R1

Kymeru: Home, Stadford, Berkeley (7) B2

Leinster: Home (5) SP

Munster: Home (5) SP

Orkney: Hebrides, Skye, Kintyre, Man, Dithess, Donegal (4) R1

Scotland: Home, Kintyre, Durness, Caithness, Chester (8) B2

Ulster: Omagh, Armagh, Down, Dohegall, Roscommon (4) SP

Game Analysis: Presumably, Scotland's stab of Orkney implies that he is by himself. It is a strong possibility that the fake attack over Gwynedd was just that--a fake. If so, then the Irish nations will have something to worry about unless Orkney should ally with them against the two giants of the East.

Orkney will not come down easily, and

Scotland may someday regret his stab.

Leinster's invasion plus the three joint attacks on Connacht indicates that the Irish nations realize the ominous threat from the east. However, the Leinster invasion, though a sting to Kymeru's pride, is no real threat to him. It has to be reinforced, and no where does Leinster have the forces needed. Additionally, Kymeru gets two builds this winter, and you can bet that he's building two fleets!

Also, I see Scotland as building two fleets (or one army for an A/F) and the balance of power will then shift to the sea. In this game, land forces are limited in their movements to the islands. Consequently, a major weakness of Ireland and of any alliance from Ireland is a lack of fleets. Ulster's fleets are not even being used! They cannot wait much longer or they will risk a counter invasion from the east that won't be just a pin prick!

Where's that superweapon, the A/F? Well, with the winter builds coming up, I predict a few more fleets will be built and thus the first A/Fs might come from the eastern powers by Fall 1017. #end#

Press--

Scone--King Malcom II has not heard from his ally, King of Man, and is afraid that he has been killed. So, in self defense, the Scots have attacked the possessions of the King of Man in order to prevent Rebels from taking over.

Stonehenge--Nothing was said about returning them if in error!

Kymeru to Leinster--If you land in England you will never leave alive!

Kymeru to Scotland--Don't make that mistake again (twice!)! ?!

Stonehenge--The great stone has predicted the above quite accurately. He hath spoken.

Game 1970BJ, Summer & Fall 1907

Spring 1907 revisited: Well, this game had all the errors for last issue. Anyhow, here they are: 1) It was Spring 1907, not '06. 2) Cooper plays Germany, not France. 3) Last, I forgot to type one Russian order: A Ank S F Smy-Con. Adjudications were correct.

RUSSIAN MIGHT GROWS SMALLER! THE WAR CONTINUES ON ITS ZIG-ZAG COURSE!

Summer 1907: Russia retreats F Smy-Syr

Fall 1907 orders next page.....

Fall 1907--

AUSTRIA (Beyerlein): A Sev-Mos, A Ukr S A Sev-Mos, A War S A Sev-Mos, A Gal S A War, A Con S Ita F Smy, F Aeg S Ita F Smy, A Bul S A Con, A Sil S A Ber, A Ber S Ita A Tyr-Mun/nso/, A Tri-Vie

ENGLAND (Thomas): F Lon-Yor, F Cly S Ita F NAT-Nwg

GERMANY (Cooper): F Bal S A Kie-Ber, A Gas-Mar, F Hol-Bel, A Ruh-Mun, A Kie-Ber

ITALY (Phillips): F NAT-Nwg, F Nth-Hol, F Eng S A Bur-Bel, A Bur-Bel, F Mid-Spa(NC), A Mar-Gas, A Mun-Ruh, A Tyo-Tri, F Smy H, A Ven-Pie/nsu/

RUSSIA (Richter): F Yor-Edi, F Nwg-Nor, F Bla S A Arm-Sev, A Arm-Sev, A Mos-War/r/, A Liv S A Mos-War, F Syr-Smy, A Ank S F Syr-Smy

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Fall 1907 Supply Center Chart--

Austria: Vie, Bud, Tif, Ser, Gre, Bul, Rum, Ber, War, Con, Mos (10) SP

England: Lon, Lvp (2) SP

Germany: Kie, Par, Hol, Bel, Den (4) RL

Italy: Home, Tun, Mar, Spa, Por, Bre, Mun, Bel, Tri, Smy (12) B3

Russia: Mos, StP, Sev, Swe, Nor, Ank, Edi, Edi (6) R2

Press--

Rome--We hope Austria got the shaft this turn--yuk, yuk, etc.

Rome(Ven-Pie)--Well, if I blacked out the press it must've occurred to you that I didn't want you print it, so what are you being sorry about? As for my "penchant for wins", it's true that I've won ten or eleven, including variants and a couple that are about to go over in a season or two, but Doug isn't exactly a laggard in that area either. In fact, he's got more regular wins logged in right now than I do, and Ghu knows how many prospectives and variants he's got tucked away. So what are you concentrating on my penchant for wins for?? Anyway, it's not necessary to stab to win. Only one of my wins was consummated with a major stab, and that one was probably a bad decision in a game I would probably have won anyway. The rest are evenly divided between ones won with willing allies (either naturally so, or gifted on me by other people's stabs), tactical squeakers which are often stalemates in disguise, and hybrids. It's true that I will not willingly see Doug win, but as long as he does not threaten my stalemate capability or otherwise indicate the imminence of an

attack on my possessions he need not fear preemptive retaliation (how's that for a euphemism?), besides which I don't have the opportunity at this point.

Impassable--I was about to apologize for my "yellow journalism" of the last issues but changed my mind when I read/typed this piece of arrogance. I'll let the words from Rome (Ven-Pie) speak for themselves. I received a complaint about my "yellow Journalism," but I don't think my headlines changed one thing at all in this game--it didn't even warn anybody! Oh well, I did promise to shut up. So be it.

Sorris Bpasky here--I'll even tell you that I live in St. Petersburg. Anybody for a quick game? I will play one as black, or white if you prefer. First acceptance, as determined by the GM gets it. In fact, I'll even play him if he wants.

Impassable--I believe Sorris Bpasky's name has already been used so that's out. Also, I do not play postal chess and I don't think anyone in BJ will play besides you. If I'm wrong, we'll set up a game, though.

Game 1972AZ, Summer & Fall 1906

Vote: No--3, Yes--1, No vote--1. A game concession can be made only for first place. Thus, Turkey could be conceded first place when he actually doesn't have the centers to win very soon. However, remaining finishes are determined by number of centers owned.

GERMANY IS DESTROYED! ENGLAND ATTACKS FRANCE BUT AUSTRIA WINS THE BATTLE FOR MUN!

COA--Howard Mahler: 7-16 Leggett Place, Whitestone, NY 11357, eff. May 26

Summer 1906--Austria retreats A Ven-Tri

Fall 1906--

AUSTRIA (Osmanson): A Tri H, A Boh S A Try-Mun, A Tyr-Mun, F Ion-Tun, F Aeg S A Bul-Con, A Pru-Ber, A Mos H, A Sev-Arm A Ser H, A Sil S A Tyr-Mun, A Bul-Con

ENGLAND (Wiskow): A StP-Liv, A Nor-StP, F Bar S A Nor-StP, F Den-Swe, F Bal S F Den-Swe, F Nth-Nor, A Bel H, A Ruh-Mun, A Ber S A Ruh-Mun, A Kie S A Ber

FRANCE (Mahler): A Rom S A Ven H, A Ven H, F Lyo S A Mar-Pie, A Nap H, F Tyr S A Nap H, F Smy-Con, F Wes-Tun, A Mun-Tyr/r/, A Mar-Pie

GERMANY (Richter): F Swe-Den

ITALY (Hollingsworth): F Apu S Aus A Tri-Ven/nso/, F Con H

TURKEY (Thomas): A Ank S Fra F Smy-Con

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Fall 1906 Supply Center Chart--

Austria: Home, Ser, Gre, Rum, Ven, Bul, War, Mos, Sev, Mun (11) SP

England: Home, Nor, Den, Kie, StP, Hol, Ber, Bel, Swe (11) BI

France: Home, Min, Spa, Por, Tun, Rom, Nap, Ven, Smy (10) BI

Germany: Swe (0) RI is out of game, kaput.

Italy: Smy, Con (1) RI

Turkey: Ank (1) SP

Press--

France--I did not ask for a vote on a concession. I did ask if it's possible to concede first AND second place. It seems the answer is no. I vote NO on the concession.

Impassable--There are no houserules or even rules covering other finishes in a concession. Actually, the rulebook doesn't make anything of any but a first place finish! Either you win or you lose! Read my explanation at the beginning of this report.

Stephan of LWOW--In a year or two, the three Little pipsqueaks will be gone. Then the major powers: the Drool Monarchy, the Brutish Empire, the Stench Republic, and the Greater Slavic Empire can get down to the serious business of deciding the fate of Europe.

(Them slobz may be conceded, but I doubt that they have conceded) The Stenchies have eliminated themselves from consideration as our ally with their name calling and horrible puns. What gall! Hugo's invasion of Bohemia rules him out; his advances must be czeched. That leaves the Scotch, but I only drink whisky. I wonder if the Americans....

Game 1972BG, Spring 1906

COA: Mark Murray, 44 General Hawkins Dr., Warwick, RI 02888, eff. May 20th

NOTHIN MUCH HAPPENED! NATIONS BUILD UP THEIR POSITIONS FOR FALL OFFENSIVES

AUSTRIA (Pyle): A Mun S A Boh-Sil, A Tyr S A Mun, A Vie-Gal, A Gal-Ukr, A Rum-Sev, A Bud-Rum, A Bul S F Con, F Con S Ita F Ion-Aeg, A Boh-Sil

ENGLAND (Keller): F Swe H, A Kie S A Hol-Ruh, A Hol-Ruh, A Ion-Bre, A Pio-Par, A Lvp-Wal, F Nth H, F Bel H, F Eng C A Ion-Bre

FRANCE (Murray): F Mid-Bre, A Bar-Par, A Mar H

ITALY (Hrbek): F Per S F Iyo-Spa(SC), F Iyo-Spa(SC), A Spa-Gas, A Pie-Mar, A Tun-NAF, F Ion-Aeg

RUSSIA (Fish): A Ber-Mun, A Sil S A Ber-Mun, A Ank-Con, F Bla-Sev, A Pru-War, F Bal/u

TURKEY (Tovson): F Smy H

FALL 1906 orders due Thursday, June 7, 1973 at noon, EDST.

Press--

UpSLUCK, Iowa--Alas, the poor Ruskies. While Austria is cleaning up the Motherland, England is more concerned with cleaning up France, although if he continues, he will meet the Italians head on. Austria has no problems, although it could if Russia and Italy got together (providing, of course, a non-aggression pact with England) while on the other hand, England could be up a creek vice versa. Italy would gain more by attacking Austria, of course, because he might soon be going solo against England. But this, of course, depends on the solidity of the Austro-Italian Alliance. England might be cutting his own throat by attacking Russia, Italy by attacking England. Only the shadow knows...

Impassable--Of course.

Paris--England won't walk in on any more of my supply centers. We are also sick of fighting the greenies. Therefore, we have decided to try and hibernate for a few years and let the green, red, and dark blue fight it out. We'll be back in a couple of years to see how things are going. Good night, but not good bye.

Rome, March 1906--King Ernesto II Ginzo has expressed shock at the hostility emanating from the Russian Government. The King stated that he was offended at the harsh words that were directed at Italy. That Italy cancelled a Mutual Defense was acknowledged by his Imperial Highness; however, the King pointed out that the cancellation clause carried no stipulation other than the requirement that either party give one year's notice of cancellation. "If the Russians can't accept that," stated II Ginzo, "then they should put more thought into their treaty proposals. Besides we have good information indicating that Russians would have invoked the same clause had the Austrians attacked Italy instead of Russia. While we do not condone the aggression on the part of the Austrians, we certainly feel no obligation to cause a major war over a mere border incident. It seems strange to us that the Russians are making such a big stink since they originally invaded Austria to begin with." The King further stated that the Russians' claim of

an Austrian-Italian Alliance was pure speculation on the part of the distraught Russian government.

Game 1972BW, Autumn & Winter 1905

Fall 1905 revisited: Italy lost a unit, thus builds three, not two.

Autumn 1905--England retreats F Nor-Ska, Germany disbands A Mun

Winter 1905--

ENGLAND (Nielsen): R A Lon

FRANCE (De Prisco): SP

GERMANY (Davies): SP

ITALY (Lindauer): B A Ven, F Nap, F Rom

RUSSIA (Knudsen): SP

TURKEY (Abbott): B F Smy

SPRING 1906 orders due Thursday, June 7, 1973 at noon, EDST.

Winter 1905 Positions--

England: F Ska, F Nwg, F Nth (3); France:

A Ruh, A Bel, F Eng, A Pic, A Bur, A Pie (6);

Germany: A Kie, A Hol, F Den (3); Italy:

A Alb, A Bud, A Ser, A Mun, A Vie, F Ion, A

Ber, A Ven, F Nap, F Rom (10); Russia: A

Gal, A Sil, A Rum, A Sev, A Fin, F Swe, F

Nor (7); Turkey: F Eas, F Aeg, A Bul, A Con,

F Smy (5)

Press--

Reykjavik, Iceland--This game seems to be perking up. It has just been given a spark of life with the first country in Europe breaking into double figures. This next year looks to be very interesting in comparison with some of the years past. Russia and Italy, the two big powers on the board, seem to be going at each other full steam. Turkey still is pretty much uncommitted and can still swing either way. It's practically impossible to tell from his Fall 1905 moves whether he really is siding with Russia and Italy's moves of Fall 1905 were just luck, or whether he is siding with Italy and their moves were very well planned out so they can keep Russia feeling secure. Only time will tell. Further west, things are certainly beginning to happen. Germany got pounded from two sides which resulted in the loss of two German centers. Unfortunately for France, though, he lost them both to Italy. Meanwhile, France's strategy seems to be bewildering everyone, maybe even himself. He supports Italy to Munich and while doing so he also invades the Italian Peninsula.

Strange! England did just about as well as can be expected. It was only a matter of time before the combined four forces of the Russians and the Germans ousted the English from Scandinavia. The English are far from finished though, because with their three fleets they still have an excellent defensive position, and not a bad offensive one either.

Game 1972CD, Summer & Fall 1905

COA: Doug Nelson, 3001 Hampshire Ave. N, Minneapolis, MN 55427, eff. immediately.

WILL THE GERMANS ESCAPE DEATH POCKET? AUSTRIA IS OUT OF GAME! THE WAR CONTINUES HOT!

Summer 1905--Austria retreats A Bud-Gal, disbands A Rum; Italy retreats F Smy-Syr

Fall 1905--

AUSTRIA (De Lucia): A Gal-War

ENGLAND (Schleinkofer): F Den-Kie, A Yor-

Den, F Nth C A Yor-Den, F Ska S A Yor-Den

FRANCE (McKeon): F Lyc-Tyr, F Wes S F Lyc-Tyr, F Mid-NAf, A Hol S Eng F Den-Kie, A Ber S Eng F Den-Kie, A Mun S A Ber, A Ruh-Bur

GERMANY (Ray): A Kie-Den/r/, F Bal S A Kie-Den, F Swe-Ska

ITALY (Morris): A Ser-Rum, A Bud S A Ser-Rum, A Tri-Ser, A Vie S A Bud, F Syr-Smy,

F Eas S F Syr-Smy, F Ion-Aeg, F Tyr H/r

RUSSIA (Brennan): F Nor H, A Fin S F Nor H, A Mos-Sev, A Ukr-War

TURKEY (Nelson): F Aeg-Eas, A Smy H, F Gre A Bul S F Gre H, A Rum H/a

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Fall 1905 Supply Center Chart--

Austria: Bud, Rum (0) R1 is out of game

England: Home, Den, Kie (5) R1

France: Home, Por, Spa, Bel, Mun, Hol (8) R1

Germany: Kie, Bel, Hol, Swe (1) R2

Italy: Home, Tun, Vie, Tri, Smy, Ser, Rum, Bud (9) R1

Russia: Mos, War, StP, Sev, Nor, Sve (5) R1 was 1 unit short

Turkey: Ank, Con, Smy, Gre, Sve, Bul (5) SP

Press--

Rome, Nov. 1, 1905--The aggression of the French navy into the Mediterranean was quite a surprise to King Victor Emmanuel. France had been a trusted ally of Italy for many years, pacts had been signed with them, yet

International Game Show

■ Diplo-Con VI ■

June 22, 23 & 24, 1973

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- ** The Old Masters Avalon Hill Trophy plus a gift certificate award for the best overall play in playbalanced WATERLOO, STALINGRAD and GETTYSBURG, will be awarded. Space will also be available for all types of adult games, miniatures and puzzles.

Three other features will be:

- ** An exhibition of ancient and precious games and chess sets.
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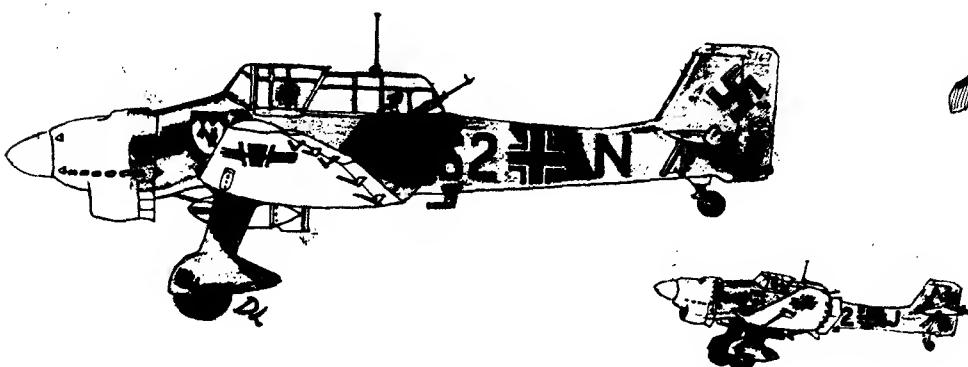
Diplo-Con VI

WILL RICHARD ACKERLY SUCCESSFULLY DEFEND HIS TITLE IN THE 49-PLAYER DIPLOMACY TOURNAMENT, or will YOU be victorious and take it away from him? The 2nd annual 49-Player Diplomacy Tournament will award, in addition to the touring Diplomacy Cup, a beautiful hand-made inlaid hard-wood Diplomacy board, engraved with your name. The Tournament is held in two rounds of competition. On Saturday 7 full games are played. On Sunday, games for the winners, those who were in draws, and the highest ranking 2nd place players will be scheduled.

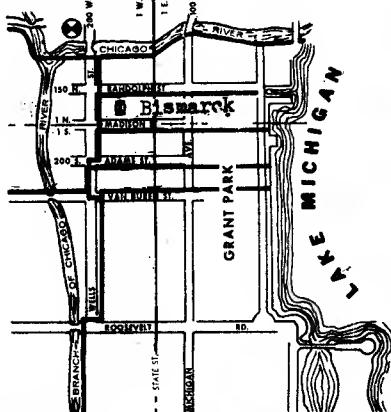
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evidently the French considered these documents unimportant and not really valid (who knows?).

A Message has been sent to the French government, requesting them to retreat their fleets from their present positions. If it turns out that this request is treated in the same manner that the Franco-Italian treaties were, then the Kingdom of Italy will be forced to declare war on the Third Republic. It is sincerely hoped that our allies will aid Italy in defeating this cancer that has grown in western Europe.

Alexander the Great--A fire starts as a flicker and so it will be with I. I soon will become a nation of great strength and will rampage throughout the land.

Impassable--Looks like a puff of wind blew out the flicker.

Game 1972CJ, Spring 1904

IF YOU CAN'T TAKE IT BY FORCE, THEN YOU TRY SNEAKING IN UNOPPOSED! AUSTRIA DOES IT! ITALIAN-AUSTRIAN CONFRONT EACH OTHER IN A BORDER DISPUTE. WILL THIS MEAN MORE WAR?

AUSTRIA (Verheiden): A Ruh-Hol, A Bel S A Ruh-Hol, A Vie-Tyr, F Tri-Adr, A Ser-Tri, A Bud-Rum, A Bul-Con, A Smy S A Bul-Con, F Gre-Ion, F Aeg S F Gre-Ion

ENGLAND (Open): NOR. F Iri H, F Eng H

FRANCE (Cooper): F Ivp-Wal

GERMANY (Ostapkovich): NOR. A Kie H/r, F Den H

ITALY (Lakofka): F Mid-Bre, F Por-Mid, F Spa(SC)-Wes, F Wes-Tyr, F Nap-Apu, A Rom-Ven, A Mar-Pie, A Par-Pic, A Bre-Gas

RUSSIA (Wrobel): A Sil-Mun, A Ukr-War, A Rum-Ukr, F Sev H, F Nth-Den, F Hel-Kie, A Ber S Hel-Kie, A Nor-Swe

TURKEY (Richter): NOR. A Ank H

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Note from GM--Seems like the little countries are going to be missing moves with little hope left in their positions. Will ask the standbys to fill in, but I can't promise them anything more than a losing position.

Press--

Vienna(OPA)--In view of the recent reprehensible behavior of the Italians, it has been decided that they can be done without and we of the Austro-Hungarian Empire will do our utmost to see that they are done without as

soon as possible. As our first order of business, it has been decided to liberate mainland Italy and in particular the cities of Venice, Naples, and Rome, to be renamed Venedig, Neapel and Rom.

Warsawa--!#%@!#*\$*!! GERMANS!

SEBASTAPOL--ADMIRAL IBAN FOLONOV, THE BRILLIANT DEAF AND DUMB NAVAL STRATEGIST, AND PRINCE ROGOV RUMELSKI THE BLIND HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED TO THE IMPERIAL MISSION IN ROME. Their combined talents and resources should prove sufficient in dealings with the exclamatory Italian government.

Vienna--Latest victory slogans/graffetti seen painted on the sides of the oxen wagons and supply trains: "After Germany, Italy. After Italy, France" and "Our leader Eric deserves to win" and "Poles make good allies but better enemies!"

Jamul--Hey Lennie, Boyer broke our cover in Impassable. Why don't we cook up another epicurean delight for him?

Impassable to Jamul--You better not, Conrad! Liverpool--Victory is in sight for the Royal French Forces.

Moscow--The latest game rage in the court of Tzar Stas has been the imported version of "What Do You Trust", a contemporary politico scenario of current history. Favorite dramas at the courts' bouts have been the one where Eric the Red and Prince Lenardo meet in Flander's Field and discover that they are actually brothers born of different mothers, and the one where the entire Italian Monarch discovers (by courier-pigeon tapping) that they are actually a disposed family of Swiss yeodellers. Much flavor and spice have been added to the game by scheduling the visits of foreign ambassadors and couriers before the game is played and then adding their fictions into the game.

Impassable--Horrors! How dare the Polish Emperor behind the Russian Throne implicate the fine Swiss people with such a scandalous plot? It behooves us to denounce the game as one invented by the Poles in another of their Polish attempts at funny failures. We think they have finally outdone themselves with this horrendous, heidenous, although hilarious, idea! Switzerland never breeds such monstrosities!

The Dream Maker--Stan Rumble rose from the small cot he had spent a troubled night in. The stench of decay, sweat and cheap alcohol filled the 20-bed room in which he slept at \$1.50 a day. Everywhere in Seattle, the police was searching for this mass murderer, now more infamous than Jack the Ripper. Stan and Lendore had to stay sequester for some

(cont. on next page!!).

days as Lendore worked a change upon Stan. Slowly, ever so slowly, the appearance of his face had changed. He became swarthy and bearded, his physique became more muscular, but bowed over as by arthritic pains. Stan seemed to age twenty years in the few days and truly became a shock unto himself when he gazed in the mirror of the small dingy toilet. "My wife would never recognize me..." and then his words trailed off in the hate and pain as he remembered how Lendore had killed her! He bit his lip to hold back the remorse and the hatred that crept to his parched lips.

"Rumble. We must now make you look better to your peers. We cannot travel by freight car, we must fly, and your appearance would never be accepted." They went at Stan's own pace to a shop in the area and there selected a more proper, if slightly used, suit of clothes. Stan had just enough money for his purchase and was ready to leave when suddenly, without warning, Lendore struck!

The old man who owned the shop, grabbed at his chest, a fire burned in his eyes, waxed bright, and then died. "Why did you kill him?" "Do not question, Rumble. Take the money from his register, we shall need it. We can leave no one to identify your old image and your new one--no one must know!"

"Lendore--if you kill another human, I shall..." "You will nothing Rumble! It is a few necessary murders or the death of this entire planet. Choose wisely!"

Hours later in a jet traveling toward Japan, Stan Rumble--now Godfrey Waterbridge (apparently Lendore didn't know much of Polish history) gazed at the sea below. From its depths a vision rose. First small and dark but soon red and flaming. It was the work of Linestrae. He was trying to kill them.

(to be continued!)

Game 1972CK, Spring 1905

ITALY SUFFERS MILITARY REVERSES AS WAR GOES BAD FOR THEM! WILL RUSSIA LAST MUCH LONGER?

AUSTRIA (Chin): F Eas-Ion, A Sev-Rum, A Mos H, A Bud-Tri, A Ser S A Bud-Tri, A Vie S A Bud-Tri

ENGLAND (St. Johns): F StP-Bar, F Nor-Nwg, F Swe-Bot, F Den-Nth, F Bel S F Den-Nth,

F Bre-Mid, A Edi H, A Lvp-Yor, A Lon H

FRANCE (Gray): A Pic-Par, A Mar H, F Eng-Bre

GERMANY (Lindauer): A Hol-Kie, A Ber S A

Hol-Kie

ITALY (Gershenson): F Ion-Aeg/r/, F Tyr-Lyo, F Nap-Ion, A Tri-Alb/r/, A Ven-Pie, A Kie-Mun, F Spa(SC) H

RUSSIA (Davis): A War-Ukr

TURKEY (White): F Gre S Aus F Eas-Ion,

F Con-Aeg, F Smy-Eas, A Bul H, A Alb S

Aus A Bud-Tri

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Press--

Paris, May 1, 1905--To Kings David & Richard--Live and let live.

Paris, May 10, 1905--Harvey, I knew they were allies. King Richard forgets how I had him by the throat when he was up against the ropes, yet I didn't attack his homeland. King David forgets how I kept you occupied while he took Munich.

St. Lo, France, May 10, 1905--David and Richard--everything is OK on the home front; the Princess is fine. I'm a little miffed, hence no correspondence.

Berlin to Paris--So you finally woke up to what I've been telling you for years. Now do you believe me, or do you want to continue to secure your borders from Germany?

Germany, April 1, 1905--Hear ye, Hear ye! Let it be known that the fun and games are over, and the German Government is now ready to get down to the business at hand, WAR! No German unit shall rest from here on in until either Germany is free from invaders or Germany is free from German units. It's either all three German supply centers or none at all. Rally Germans! Rally!

Game 1972DD, Autumn & Winter 1904

Fall 1904 revisited: Overlooked printing Aus A Bul which was ordered to S A Rum.

Autumn 1904--Italy retreats F Con-Aeg; Russia retreats A Sev-Ukr, F Swe-Bot ((note A Sev is destroyed with illegal retreat order))

Winter 1904--

AUSTRIA (Leerkamp): B A Vie

ENGLAND (Dick): B F Lon (gets to build one)

FRANCE (Fujihara): SP

GERMANY (Chin): B A Ber, A Kie

ITALY (Roli): SP

RUSSIA (Nelson): R A Ukr, A Liv, F Bot

SPRING 1905 orders due Thursday, June 7, 1973 at noon, EDST.

Winter 1904 positions--

Austria: A Boh, A Gal, A Rum, A Bud, F Ion, A Vie, A Bul (7); England: F StP(NC), A Edi, F Nth, F Lon (4); France: F Wes, F Spa(SC), F NAT, A Mun, A Mar, A Bur (6) SP; Germany:

Den, F Nor, A Fru, A Swe, A Ruh, A Ber, A Kie (?); Italy: A Pie, F Tyr, F Tun, A Sev, F Aeg, F Con (6); Russia: F Con, A Ank, A Ukr, A War (4)

Press--

Ocean Press--Where is the mysterious Russian? Has he crawled into his hole and buried himself? The search continues...

London, Dec. 6, 1904--The first fruits of the English Expansion Program floated out of the London Dock Yards this afternoon. It has been four years, a blitz and a revolution since a new addition was made to the fleet. The English Army, well trained in coastal defense, has yet to leave the Isles, though. The Army is expected to leave for parts unknown in 1905.

Parliament, Dec. 7, 1904--With a majority vote, Parliament ratified the Paris pact of 1904 in addition, they pledged unending support to the French and their cause.

Paris Pact of 1904 (Winter Edition)--Amendment the First--"England is not to be considered a possession of France nor any other nation. It is merely a colony. (Note that the second amendment declaring England to be a target range for ships of French Fleet has not yet been ratified since it is not certain if there will be any ammunition left when they are done shelling the crazy Italians.)"

Lost and Found--A neatly folded parchment inscribed in part as follows: "Any agreement between Austria-Hungary and England is absolutely ridiculous! The Russian is a nut if he thinks we'll believe that. The heat of the situation has bent his brain."

Game 1972DF, Spring 1904

TURKEY TAKES NAPLES! FRANCE IS FORCED BACK AND ITALY IS MOVING NOWHERE MUCH! OUCH!

AUSTRIA (Conner): A Vie-Tyr, A Bud-Gal, A Tri-Ven

ENGLAND (Lindauer): A Lon-Nor, A Mos H, F Eng S F Iri-Mid, F Iri-Mid, F NAT S F Iri-Mid, F Nth C A Lon-Nor

FRANCE (Hilliker): A Mar-Gas, F Mid-Gas/r/ F Por-Mid, F Iyo H

GERMANY (Schill): A Bur-Gas, A Par S A Bur-Gas, A Mun-Bur, A Ber-Mun, A War-Ukr, A Sil-Gal, F Den H, F Kie-Hol

ITALY (Fujihara): F Tun-Ion, F Nap-Tyr, A Tus-Rom, A Pie-Tyr

TURKEY (Blank): A Apu-Rom, A Bul S A Ser H, A Ser H, A Sev-Rum, A Arm-Sev, F Aeg-Gre, F Con-Aeg, F Ion-Nap

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Press--

Impassable--I apologize to Austria, but there was no easy way to condense his refutation of England's statement of last issue. What we will print is the beginning and the end.

Vienna--Emperor William IV made an announcement from the Vienna Palace Chartreuse-Pink Room. His mood and tone was a mix of sadness, displeasure, exasperation, righteousness, irritation, piqued, and finally admonitory...

...In summation, I regard England and Sir Harvey's allegations as an emotional appeal to the rulers of Europe and President Howard Mahler of the United States. It seems to be an effort to defile the reputation of Austria and myself as her emperor. I regard this as an insult to Austria's honor and I have responded by issuing the following orders:

A. Ambassador Peter Prevaricater is recalled from London for a detailed analysis of the deteriorating situation.

B. A temporary embargo has been placed upon trade with England while the current situation is being reviewed.

C. Admiral Alexi Boatlesskoski is to take the drawing board fleet and challenge any British fleets in the Mediterranean Sea which seems to be involved or considering the harassment of Austrian shipping.

D. Lieutenant General Stanislav Stinkograd commander of the 2nd Austrian Army is ordered from camps in the Budapest province into defensive positions in the Galician highlands.

Apulia Beaches--The Sultan has just won the Italian Award for sand castle building after his construction of a seventeen room mansion out of sand on the Apulia beach head. The structure was used to garrison the whole Turkish Army here during the Italian Rainy season. The Sultan poked his head out of the sand to stutter the words, "Queen to King Bishop 3" and then crawled back to the festivities being conducted in his honor in the castle.

Berlin--The Kaiser today has ordered protective moves to prevent the rumored Turkish aggression. The German monarch swears that his forces will never enter Sevastopol.

Holland--Harvey, if you have set me up... You'll get yours and the Turks will be free to infest all of Europe (Unless they get picked up by the narcs first).

Impassable--Is it illegal to sleep in sand? I didn't know sand castles were habit forming!

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GAME RESEARCH INC.

Not too long ago, I received a letter announcing both a price increase in their products plus a new address (maybe both are connected like moving to a higher tax district?). So, for the reader's benefit, and to help fill this page, I present the changes: New retail price for Diplomacy is \$8.95! Good thing I have three sets bought at the old price! Also, they announced that you can purchase a copy of the 1971 Revision of the Rules for \$1.00. Or, if you're really crazy, you can buy a dozen for \$8.00. If you're a nut in 25 or more postal games, then you'll need conference maps to keep track of all of your conquests. To get 25, you just pay \$1.00, or you can get 10 for 50¢. Either way, you can get what you need at a reasonable price. Last, the company has announced that it is moving to a new address effective on June 1, 1973: GAMES RESEARCH, INC.

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If you want their telephone number: (617) 482-5130. We wish them the best of luck in their new plush pad. May the hobby keep growing!

HOORAY, THE PUZZLES!

It has been awhile since we had puzzles! Number 19 was printed in #19 of Impassable, but we didn't give the answer. So, for you spider collectors, here's the answer!

Path "C" at 40 feet. Consider the room as if it were a cardboard box cut open and spread on top of a table. The figure shows

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the three possible ways for the spider to crawl to the fly by a straight path: path A, straight across the floor and up the opposite wall, which is 42 feet; path B, the hypotenuse of the right triangle SMF, where SM=37 feet and FM=17 feet, hence SF=the square root of $37^2 + 17^2$ which equals to 40.71 feet (approx); Path C, the hypotenuse of the right triangle SMF, where SM equals 32 feet and FM=24 feet, so that the Hypotenuse SF=the square root of $32^2 + 24^2$ which equals 40 feet! M is the point necessary to form right triangles with S (Spider) and F (Fly) positions. Think that was tough? Try this next puzzle!

Puzzle #20: This is a different kind of puzzle and carries a monetary prize! I will give that person who gives me a minimum of five words plus the most of any contestant who submits a list of words, the prize of \$1.00 or one free entry into any Chapel Hill Publications game openings when they occur! Conditions are that the words must use all of the following letters, no more and no less. Also, all words are to be in English and not considered as slang words. If I can't find it in my Webster, then it won't count! So, here are your letters and good luck in making up many words with those same letters!

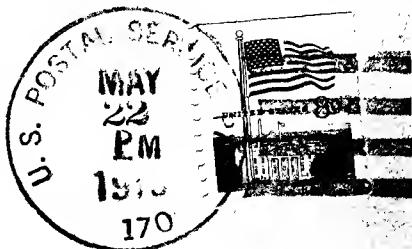
R E S C U A

(An example to help give you an idea: given letters E A R D . You can make words such as Read, dear, dare, etc. Get the idea?)

Dost thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.

--Franklin--Poor Richard

One life--a little gleam of Time between two Eternities. --Carlyle



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